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Mr. Michael Lidgard
US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10
1200 6th Avenue, OW-130
Seattle, WA 98101

RE: Draft §401 Water Quality Certification for the Draft NPDES Permit No. ID-002285-3 for
the City of Coeur d'Alene Wastewater Facility

Dear Mr. Lidgard:

The State of Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) received a preliminary draft NPDES permit for the City of Coeur d'Alene to discharge from their existing wastewater treatment facility on November 15, 2011. After review of the revised draft permit and fact sheet, DEQ submits the enclosed draft §401 water quality certification which includes a narrative description of our antidegradation review for this permit. Also enclosed is the City of Coeur d'Alene's compliance schedule justification. After the public comment period ends, DEQ will address any comments, review the proposed final permit and issue a final certification decision.

Please direct any questions to June Bergquist at 208.666.4605 or june.bergquist@deq.idaho.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Redline", is written over a large, stylized, light-colored circular mark.

Daniel Redline
Regional Administrator
Coeur d'Alene Regional Office

Enclosures (2)

C: Miranda Adams, DEQ Boise
Brian Nickel, EPA Region 10, Seattle